

## NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

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(Title):

AUTHENTICATION METHOD AND AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM FOR USERS  
ATTEMPTING TO ACCESS AN INFORMATION SOURCE VIA COMMUNICATION  
NETWORK, AND INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM AND INFORMATION  
PROCESSING METHOD USING THE SAME

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- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-5; 4 sheets) are attached.  
☐ Use Figure \_\_\_\_\_ for front page of Publication.  
A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.  
This patent application is assigned to TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA.  
☐ The executed Assignment is filed herewith.  
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A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.  
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☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2000-265640 filed September 1, 2000 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  
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